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Bids For Catholic Intercollegiate Ball Available on Campus Now; Fifty Is Limit Set For Moragans

Jack Beck, Saint Mary's Representative, Reveals Price Is Reduced to $2.50 This Year; Billy McDonald's Royal Highlanders to Play

Bids for the second annual Catholic Intercollegiate Ball, to be held April 19 at the Lakeside Golf and Country club in San Francisco, were distributed to campus representatives of the ball committee, and are now on sale on the Saint Mary's campus, according to Jack Beck, Saint Mary's representative for the committee. Price of the bids is $2.50 a fifty cent reduction from the price last year, with each of the seven schools sponsoring the dance limited to fifty bids.

NAME BAND

The band selected is Billy McDonald and his Royal Highlanders, nationally famous radio and dance band. The musical choice and final preparations for the gala affair played the prominent part at the regular monthly meeting, which was held last Thursday at the College of the Holy Name in Oakland.

Several musical organizations had been nominated at the previous meetings, but the representatives of the seven schools that form the Catholic intercollegiate committee finally decided that Billy McDonald would be the logical choice. He has a widespread following on the air lanes, and is a favorite with the college set throughout the country, playing at the leading social affairs of the most prominent colleges and universities of the United States and Canada. McDonald is recognized for his sweet style and for his novel arrangements. Two vocalists are featured, a girl and also a male singer.

At present Billy McDonald and his Royal Highlanders are concluding an engagement in the east, so it was doubtful whether he would be on the Pacific coast in April to accept the offer. However, through contact with the Music Corporation of America, it was learned that Billy McDonald and his musicians would be in the Bay area in mid-April; therefore, he was immediately hired and a deposit placed. Although McDonald's appearance is almost certain, precautionary measures were taken. If through some unforeseen event, the hired named band cannot be present, it has been arranged and assured by the Music Corporation of America that an orchestra of equal merit and repute would be substituted. This clause in the contract would prevent a substitution of a smaller band, and virtually assured the ball of music by a name orchestra.

SOON AFTER LENT

The second annual Catholic intercollegiate ball will initiate Saint Mary's after-lent social season, and will be held at the Lakeside Golf and Country club on the outskirts of San Francisco on April 19, the first Saturday after Lent. It will be a formal affair.

The bids may be purchased from Saint Mary's three representatives to the CIC meetings, Walter Calcagno and Jack Beck, ASSMC president and secretary,

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Date Named For Student Body Nominations

Calcagno Sets April 2 For Nominating Speeches

Politics will run rampant during the next month! Political fiascos and embroglios will play havoc with the present administration and bosses of the campus machines!

This political situation was assured last night when Walter Calcagno, ASSMC president, announced that the nominations for student body offices are tentatively set for April 2.

Calcagno, who, according to the constitution of Saint Mary's College, is privileged to set any nomination date agreeable to the recorder's office, told the executive council the nomination would be held on that date at a regular student body meeting. At this meeting, the students will make the nominations for the various offices, but all speeches and seconding of nominations will have to abide by a time limit.

TWO MEETINGS MAY BE HELD

If they are held on April 2, another student body gathering will be called on the following Wednesday, April 9, to enable the student body nominees to make short pre-election speeches, thus helping the voters to see and hear the candidates. At this meeting the candidates will also present their platforms and qualifications.

The date of the actual election is still indefinite because of its dependency on the number of candidates running for office. An amendment brought into the constitution last year provides that if more than three candidates are nominated for the office of president, the contest will have to be preceded by a primary election. The two candidates receiving the highest vote in the primary will then run against each other in the final election. However, if the contestants for the presidency are less than three in number, there will be no primary election.

POSSIBLE CANDIDATES

Early speculation places many logical candidates in the race. Since tradition at Saint Mary's has always placed the Gael editor in the race for the presidency, Horway Witteman, editor of the 1941 year book, will be the first to cast his hat into the political ring. Also, as the junior class president usually is a strong candidate for the top student body office, Clifford Russell, this year's junior prexy is another

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No Honor to the Good Saint on Monday!

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Eire Oge Declines to Celebrate His 'Day'

The Young Irishmen of Saint Mary's College, or the Eire Oge as they say it in Gaelic, whose ancestors carried on seven centuries of the fiercest fighting the world has seen, have given up the fight, have retreated from their Red O'Donnell to Eamon De Valera, the last battlefield, and have buried the famous Irish national spirit on the campus of Saint Mary's, in other words, have declined to present the traditional Saint Patrick's Day program on Saint Mary's campus.

LATER IN SEMESTER

Instead they will save the originally planned festivities for a later date in the semester when admission will be charged for the ceremonies for benefit of the Eire Oge Library fund.

So announced Peter Crowley, president of the club, who stated that conflicting dates on the two Sundays preceeding Saint Patrick's Day would make it unwise for the society to present their program. According to Crowley a tentative date was set for March 9, but the recent high school basketball tournament interferred, and on this coming Sunday the Untied Irish Societies annual program will be held in San Francisco.

The coming Saint Patrick's Day festival was the only activity planned by the Eire Oge during the present year

Crowley, president of the organization, announced that, "Due to conflicting dates on the two Sundays preceding St. Patrick's day, it is deemed unwise by members of the Eire Oge to hold this annual affair."

THE PROGRAM

The program, as originally outlined for presentation on or near the Saint's Feastday, was to include a Gaelic football game at 11:30; a lunch and picnic in the grove at 12:30; speakers and entertainment at 2:00; drill competition at 3:30; and dancing at 4:00.

Faculty members and prominent Irishmen of the bay region were to be invited as guest speakers.

Debaters Speak on KSFO Tomorrow

Second in a series of radio debates between varsity Saint Mary's teams and Bay Area colleges will be aired tomorrow over Station KSFO at 1:30. James Boock and William Feneran, sophomores, will uphold the negative of the topic, "Resolved: That San Francisco should own and control its own harbor." Boock will read a paper and Feneran will discuss the fundamental discrepancies in the issue. The affirmative will be taken by the University of San Francisco.

A varsity team from the University of Nevada will be the guests of Saint Mary's College, Friday, March 21. A sophomore team composed of August Zipse and Milo Mackin will defend the affirmative of the national topic. This marks the initial varsity debate in a series of forensic meets with traveling teams from state universities in the western section of the United States.

William Egan and Horway Witteman will defend the affirmative of the national topic against a traveling forensic team from Washington State, Pullman. The scheduled date is Friday, March 27.

The following week Joseph McGrath and Egan will oppose a woman's team from the University of Washington. The senior debaters will argue the affirmative of the topic, "Resolved: That propaganda is leading the United States toward war." This forensic encounter is slated for Tuesday evening, April 1.

All varsity debates will be held in de La Salle Lounge.

Transition Talk Plan is Suspended

Due to the absence of Senior Class president, William Egan, plans for the annual senior transition talks have been temporarily suspended. The series of speeches given especially for the outgoing students each year, are held weekly, and feature outstanding men associated with the various professions to which the average college man aspires.

Two-Minute Meeting Sets Ex Council Record

In exactly two minutes executive council members approved ASSMC President Walter Calcagno's arrangement for nominations of student body office candidates and paid $3.00 expense money to the campus radio club in one of the shortest meetings on the records of the legislative group.

Only five men of the total number of 17 in the council were absent from the meeting and members of the group, anxious for action, adjourned only when convinced by chairman Tim Dempsey that there was no other business to be considered at the meeting.

The date for student body nominations is tentatively set for April 2 by President Walter Calcagno in arrangement with the college administration. Election of next year's student body officers will follow a few days after the nominations, it was also announced.

Present at the meeting last Wednesday were Walter Calcagno, Jack Beck, Ilo Scatena, Harold Vogelsang, Horway Witteman, Gerard Fitzpatrick, James Boock, John Klein, Richard Saveri, John Schaeffer, and John Givanovich.

Prep Speakers Will Be Guests at Fitzgerald Oratorical Contest

Outstanding male orators and debaters from each of the northern California Public and Catholic high schools will be guests of Saint Mary's College on Thursday evening, April 3. After a banquet they will witness the first annual William J. Fitzgerald, Jr., Oratorical contest for freshmen.

Seven outstanding freshmen orators who have signified their intention of entering this contest today have revealed the title of their 12-minute speeches. Francis Starrs will discuss "Government — Slave or Master;" Thomas Williams will spend his time on "The Trends in Federal Government." John Schaeffer, Saint Mary's guild scholarship winner, will condemn "Big Business." "This Is Your Government" will be the topic of the speech by Eymard Gallagher, freshmen debater and twice winner of the California Bankers annual contest in Sutter county, California. Donald Wood will handle "Farming Phantasy." Gerald Ring will comment on "United We Stand." Richard Saveri, a Salesian boys club member and Collegian writer, will interpret "Labor and the Federal Government."

Mr. William J. Fitzgerald '05 originated this contest in memory of his son, ex-'40, who served as sophomore president and died in 1939 after a year's illness.

The judges named last week include John Healy, '32, Joseph Stretch, '30, Arthur Mott, '35, Jack Purcell, '35. The fifth judge is as yet unnamed.

Staff Meeting

All members of the Collegian staff must be present at a meeting to be held Tuesday, March 18, in G-110.

Assignments will be given out and staff reorganization plans will be presented to the members of the news and sports staffs.

Failure to appear at this meeting means dismissal from the staff.

Dante Club Will Attend Italian Meet

Members of Saint Mary's Dante Club and representatives of the other various Bay Area College Italian Clubs will be the guests of Santa Clara University when the Nobile Italian organization sponsors the third annual San Francisco Bay Area Italian Clubs convention, tentatively set for April 17.

Saint Mary's will be well repsented, according to Paul Reginato, president of the Dante Club, who attended last year's convention and who has the present members of the club looking forward to the 1941 gathering. Professor Lorenzo Masante, professor of Italian and Latin on the campus, and moderator of the Dante Club, will accompany the Saint Mary contingent and is tentatively scheduled to make a short address.

Martin Passaglia, all-American basketballer, is president of the Santa Clara Nobile Club, and has already begun arrangements for the affair. He is being assisted by two other prominent members of the Nobile Club, Bruce Hale and Robert Nicco.

SM Students Take Leading Roles In Holy Names Play

Robert Johnson, senior, and Patrick Franey of the junior class will "ennoble the buskin'd stage" of the College of the Holy Name, when they portray two of the leading roles in Philip Barry's three-act play, "You and I."

The play, directed by Miss Ida Nisbitt, dramatics coach of the girls' school, was a Broadway success and was presented by the Campbell Playhouse of the Air. It is the author's first play, written while he was still a student at Yale university. Barry later turned out "Philadelphia Story," "Animal Kingdom," and other stage contributions.

The story revolves around a young man torn between love for a girl and desire for an architectural career. His father, who had met with the same problem in his youth and had deserted an ambition to be a painter, urges him to choose the career. The boy's mother hears of this advice, and conflicting elements bring about a crisis from which the boy emerges, resolving to give up both his career and the girl. However, certain developments show how disillusionment has affected the father's life, and this acts as a tragic warning to the son.

Bob Johnson portrays the young architect, while Betty Jane Evans, of College of the Holy Names, is the feminine source of his distress. They are supported by a cast which includes Ray Morris, a veteran of past Holy Name performances; Olga Webery, Pat Frane, Dorothy Jean Madison, and Joyce Ludwig.

Student's Essay Given National Recognition

Brother Cassian, student Brother, received national recognition this week when his paper, which won first prize in the Oliver Essay Contest, was reprinted from the Moraga Quarterly in the current edition of the "Catholic Mind," Jesuit periodical published in New York.

The essay, entitled "The Race Problem" was reprinted from the Winter 1940 edition of the Moraga Quarterly, edited by Brother Leo, professor of literature, and Dr. James L. Hagerty, professor of philosophy.

Stork Brings Son To 'Dutch' Conlans

Louis "Dutch Conlan, Saint Mary's college basketball coach, was a father this Wednesday.

The new arrival to the Conlan household is a seven-pound eight-ounce candidate for the Gael varsity in 1959.

The boy, who has not been named as yet, will be baptized in the near future. Both mother and son are doing nicely.

National Figures May Speak On Campus In April

Plans are now in the embryonic stage to bring prominent national speakers to the campus under the sponsorship of the America First committee. If preliminary arrangements are realized, the speakers will appear before the students near the end of April.

COMMITTEEMEN

The America First committee recently organized on the campus by Gallardo, Joe Englert, Burr Hohl and Lionel Holmes is associated to the national America First movement started by Senator Burton K. Wheeler. The national organization boasts of a membership including such notable personages as General Hugh S. Johnson, Col. Chas. Lindbergh, Irving S. Cobb, Kathleen Norris, and many congressmen. The purpose of the movement is to keep the United States out of war by means of public opinion.

The campus committee has established three headquarters, one in Hohl's room in the De La Salle hall, one in Louis Gottschalk's room in Augustine hall, and the other in George Farnham's room in the soph dorm. The committee plans to keep the students informed of the movement by posters on the bulletin boards, and according to Gallardo the first is scheduled to be posted some time next week.

NO DEFINITE MEMBERSHIP

The committee has no definite membership as yet, but in a poll held by the Collegian a majority of students were in favor of the movement. All those who are interested in the America First committee may obtain further information at any one of the three headquarters on the campus.

Invitations to Ninth Annual Press Meet Go Out This Week

Under the joint chairmanship of Roger Heidenreich, Lionel Holmes, two-year editor of the Collegian, and George Farnham, the annual California Catholic Journalism convention will be held on the Saint Mary's campus, Saturday, April 19.

Letters are being mailed this week to all the Catholic parochial high schools inviting these secondary schools to submit their journalistic achievements to this annual contest. Abolishing the past procedure of requiring each school to have a delegate present, the sponsors, the Fourth Estate club, believe that more papers will be submitted this year because of this fact.

Noted newspapermen of the East Bay are now being contacted to serve as guest speakers at the several seminars on make-up, sports writing, news and feature writing.

"Expenses for this year's convention has greatly increased, and any financial assistance will be greatly appreciated," Heidenreich stated.

Introducing an experiment this year the issue of the Collegian on April 18 will contain articles written by honor journalistic students of the various California high schools.

Noted Prelates Visit Campus

Two distinguished Canadian prelates were visitors on the Saint Mary's College campus yesterday afternoon as guests of Brother Angelus, instructor in Education.

They were: Most Reverend Joseph A. Langlois, D.D.; Bishop of Valleyfield, province of Montreal, Canada, and Right Reverend Msgr. J. D. Canon Nefveu, Ph.D., Vicar General of Valleyfield. The two were accompanied by Rev. Charles Philips, pastor of Saint Mary's church, Oakland.

The party toured the campus, visiting the student Brothers' quarters, where Bishop Langlois spoke briefly to the Brothers, commending them upon their choice of vocation. Upon departing he administered his blessing to the Brothers.

They were all impressed by the beauty of the campus, Brother Angelus said.

1941 Gael Goes To Press Next Thursday; New Year Book To Be On Campus After Easter Vacation

Editor Witteman Says Journal Will Have Largest Informal, Football, Literary, and Sport Sections, and Finest Art Yet Seen

Press date for the 1941 Gael, student-body sponsored yearbook, has definitely been set for Thursday, March 20, Horway Witteman, editor, announced this week, thus confirming rumors sweeping the campus.

According to Witteman, two weeks will be allowed for printing the book and five days for binding. Barring unforseen difficulties, this year's issue of the annual production will make its appearance during the first week following the Easter vacation.

PLANS CRYSTALIZE

During the week various fraternity plans have crystalized; the Gael covers have arrived at the binder, and the engraving has been completed by the Oakland National Engraving and Gravure Company.

Witteman credited William J. Smith, the engraving company's representative, for making possible the early completion of the engraving.

For the last week the Gael editor has exhibited the book cover of the 1941 Yearbook to students on the campus. The cover is molded along the lines of the Renaissance, the color being a light Van Dyke, which resembles a brown shaded with black, according to Witteman.

EDITOR COMMENTS

Witteman said this year's Gael will feature "The largest informal, football, literary, minor sports, and activity sections, and the finest art work ever to appear in any Gael." Kevin Wall, sophomore, was artistic adviser of the book, he disclosed.

Concerning the division of the book, Witteman stated that the football section would include candid and informal shots of the team on its tour through the east. Mentioning the literary section, the editor stated that he has received sufficient material from eminent campus literateurs to provide for an extremely interesting literary section.

Besides devoting a large portion to football and literary divisions, Witteman has allotted considerable space to the activities of campus clubs and to minor sports. The Gael chief voiced his decision that space was reserved for all Saint Mary's societies, thus definitely refusing to follow the policy of dealing only with the most active groups. Witteman has insisted on placing minor sports upon a par with the other features of the yearbook.

'INFORMALS" STRESSED

Witteman is also confident that the informal section will be one of the book's highlights. This division will consist of candid photographs of students, members of the faculty, and humorous phases of collegiate life. In addition, candid shots taken at all the Saint Mary's rallies and dances will form a subdivision of the informal section.

As the Gael goes to press, the final words of Witteman regarding subscription are: "The sales during the last weeks have zoomed to a record-breaking peak. To cope with a probable sales rush during the next few weeks, several juniors have been added to the subscription department."

Retiring French Consul To Award Foch Medals

Last Official Act By M. Roger Gaucheron; Has Left for Vichy

When the consul general of San Francisco, Honorable M. Roger Gaucheron, presents three Saint Mary's students with Foch debate awards next Tuesday, he will be performing one of his last acts, if not the last one, as the leader of French activities on the Pacific Coast. For, it has been learned exclusively by the Collegian, that shortly thereafter he will go to Vichy to accept a position in the ministry of foreign affairs.

The consul general is winding up his affairs on the coast and will fly to Oakland from Seattle to be present at Saint Mary's next Tuesday.

Purpose of the student body assembly is to award the Foch medals to the victorious Foch debate team. The Foch debate medal will go to Horway Witteman, and second and third place medals to James Boock and to Lloyd Gallardo. The meeting will be held in D201 at 10:45 a.m.

BRIEF ADDRESS

Before the presentation of the medals, M. Gaucheron will give a brief address on "The Revival of Christian Education in France." Guests of Saint Mary's who will be included in the consul general's party include M. Edmond P. Bergerot, president of the Alliance Francaise, and assistant city attorney of San Francisco; Dr. Raoul H. Blanquie, past president of the Alliance Francaise, and a prominent trans-bay dentist; M. Henri Lannerton, secretary-librarian of the Alliance Francaise, and Abbe Jean M. Ribeyron, head of the department of French, Saint Mary's College.

They will all be guests of Brother Albert, president of Saint Mary's, at a special luncheon to be held at noon in the president's dining hall.

FIVE YEARS A CONSUL

M. Gaucheron has been consul general of France at San Francisco for the past five years. As president of honor of the Alliance Francaise, he is in charge of French activities throughout this region. At Vichy he will act as special attache to the ministry of foreign affairs for United States matters.

Brother Cyprian, debate coach, will be chairman of the entire program.

Move Under Way To Secure Memorial To Father Cottle

Father Cottle will be commemorated at the homecoming ceremonies on April 20, if the plan of some ten winners of the annual Cottle oratorical contest and Walter Calcagno, ASSMC president, is realized.

A committee consisting of Brother Cyprian, debate moderator, John J. Healy, Jr., '32, one of the contest winners, and Calcagno is in charge of the matter.

If the proposal goes through, the commemoration will be in the form of a plaque containing a raised medallion head of Father Cottle. On the plaque will be inscribed the names of the contest winners from 1903 to 1940. Room will remain for the names of Cottle winners for the next ten years.

DONATIONS WILL FINANCE PLAQUE

The plaque will be financed by donations from the winners, which will not exceed $2.50 from each, according to the committee in charge.

The plaque is to serve a twofold purpose, according to Calcagno. "It will be a tribute to the memory of Father Cottle, and will commemorate all of the past, present and future winners of the contest he inaugurated," he said.

It will be officially placed in De la Salle lounge after it is dedicated on Homecoming Day, April 20. If enough funds are secured, the plaque will be of bronze material; otherwise a new etching process, in which the figures and the lettering are raised, will be utilized. The medallion head will be four inches long and three inches wide.

INSCRIPTION ON PLAQUE

Inscription on the surface of the plaque will read, "In Memoriam, Father Cottle, Class of '77." The medallion head will follow below this, and "Cottle Contest Winners" will be engraved in the space beneath the head.

Recorder's Bulletin:

March 17, Monday—Saint Patrick's Day. Classes will not be in session.

Eire Taking Correct Stand In Refusing Her Ports To England Says History Professor

Eamon de Valera, prime minister of Erie, has torn a page from American history in refusing to permit the English free use of Irish ports, Brother Edmund, history professor told a Collegian reporter this week.

"Eire is following the same procedure as did the United States in 1794. Secretary of State, Thomas Jefferson, in a letter to Edmund Charles Genet, minister of the French Republic to the United States, said, 'that it is the right of every nation to prohibit acts of sovereignty from being exercised by any other within its limits, and the duty of a neutral nation to prohibit such as would injure one of the warring powers.' This is the Irish policy today," Brother Edmund explained.

WAR OPENS UP

In the European war, the history professor said, there has been a reopening of hostilities with the coming of Spring. Concentration of the war has centered about Salonika in the east and within a 500-mile radius of the British Isles.

Two weeks ago the German counterblockade was ushered in with a sustained attack of 72 hours which the Germans declared had resulted in the destruction of 192,000 tons of merchant shipping by submarine attack and 102,000 tons had been destroyed or disabled by airplanes.

ENGLAND NEEDS PORTS

"It would be definitely premature to attempt to draw any conclusions from the first air-sea battle, but we may be quite certain that England will use every effort and strategem to defend the Atlantic feeder service," the Brother said, and added, "One element of this defense campaign will doubtlessly be a renewed effort to procure sea bases in Ireland."

The British government has already expressed the desire for Queenstown, Bantry Bay and Lough Swilly. All are commodious and well-sheltered harbors and based in these ports English ships would be from 250 to 350 miles nearer the scene of their duty.

"To understand the attitude of De Valera in the present crisis we must consider what he has done or attempted to do in the past," Brother Edmund said.

Practically every important act in his policy has been directed to widen the breach between his country and Great Britain.

WIDENS BREACH

"He refused to pay the land annuities, erected tariff walls against British products, abolished the oath of allegiance to the Crown, created a separate Irish citizenship and in April 1937 published a new constitution which declared 'the Irish nation's indefeasible sovereign right to choose its own form of government, to determine its relations with other nations and to develop its life, political, economic and cultural in accordance with its own genius and traditions.' De Valera's refusal to allow the British to use his ports is another gesture which he has made use of to insist upon the sovereignty of the Irish nation.

EIRE IS INDEPENDENT

"In the mind of the Irish president," Brother Edmund continued, "Eire is an independent member of the family of nations, and, as such, has all the duties and privileges of any other member.

"As a free and independent nation, Eire has the right to enter or abstain from the war and she has determined to remain out of the war by refusing ports to the English," he concluded.

Ruetz Describes Utah Wilds In YMI Lecture

May Take Mexican Trip Next Summer With Bro. Albert, President

Vividly describing numerous adventures in his latest anthropologicial trip, Joseph H. Ruetz, Notre Dame graduate, University of California post-graduate major in anthropology, and Saint Mary's assistant football coach, brought the remote regions of Utah into De la Salle Lounge Wednesday evening in an illustrated lecture.

Sponsored by the Young Men's Institute, Saint Mary's council No. 87, Ruetz gave his talk with the aid of picturesque lantern slides and a map, he himself sketched.

'TARZAN' INSPIRES HIM

The "intriguing adventures of Edgar Rice Burrough's 'Tarzan', the comic strip character, first inspired me to take these trips," the lecturer explained. In the last seven years he has hiked, whenever he had the chance, all over the United States and has visited most of its remotest parts. His first trip took him through the hills of southeastern Tennessee.

'MIDDLE CANYON' IS VISITED

The next year, he narrated, the wanderlust really gripped him and he wrote to a national outdoor magazine inquiring for the wildest places in the United States. The publishers kindly obliged and mentioned the two most out-of-the-way places as being Middle Canyon in Idaho and southeastern Utah. After completing his trip to Idaho, Ruetz, accompanied by his cousin, who is studying for the priesthood, started out for the lonely and far removed country that is southeastern Utah. He related that this part of Utah consists of a network of canyons, very few of which have been explored by man. Ruetz said that he was able, in the course of his hike to find exits from huge canyons that had hitherto been considered inescapable. Slides on the cliff dwellers proved particularly fascinating to the gathering. Concerning the cliff dwellers, Mr. Ruetz said, "Their outstanding problem was how to keep their children from falling over those steep ledges." After many adventures in Utah he returned home in perfect physical condition.

The next year, he went on to explain, he hiked up and around Mt. Whitney, Mt. Shasta, and Mt. Lassen together with Brother Albert, Saint Mary's president. He stated that Brother Albert was extremely agile and beat him up Mt. Whitney, but he triumphantly exclaimed, "I beat him down Shasta."

Asked as to what he planned to do next year Ruetz said, "I think Brother Albert and I will hike into Mexico in the vicinity of Mexico City and afterwards, perhaps a bit more of Utah."

In closing the evening, Chairman Thomas Twomey announced that the next Y.M.I. event would be a community sing in about two weeks.

Dates Named For Student Nominations

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possibility. Jack Beck, ASSMC secretary, is another who stands an excellent chance to be a candidate for the high office.

However, the latter two recently expressed the opinions that they would probably not be on the presidential ticket. Russell, it is said by those who know, has no presidential aspirations, while it is rumored that Beck may not be a contestant due to some personal problems.

DARK HORSE

Paul Reginato, varsity footballer and president of the Dante club, may be the dark horse in the race. Other juniors who are being mentioned as presidential possibilities are Gerard Fitzpatrick, associate editor of the 1941 Gael; Thomas Lyons, honor student from Stockton, and Garrett Fox, associate editor of the Collegian.

For the minor offices, Ilo Scatena, ASSMC treasurer, may run for the money handling job again or he may try for the vice-presidency. James Boock, freshman debate manager, has disclosed his intentions of entering the political race.

Ex Gael Business Manager Marries

Frank F. Howard, ex '41, business manager of the 1940 Gael, was married last week to Miss Suzanne Stillman of Glendale, California.

Howard, a popular student while attending Saint Mary's, was also president of the St. Vincent de Paul Society on the campus.

Catholic Drama Group Will Stage 'Brother Petroe's Return'

Final appointments to the production staff for the play, "Brother Petroe's Return" by Emmet Lavery, were announced this week by Miss Genevieve Sullivan, president of the San Francisco Catholic Theater Guild.

Those named by Joseph McCloskey, stage manager; Misses Cyr McMillan and Kay Cassiday, assistant stage managers; Miss Catherine Musante, music; Miss Ruth Hunter, costumes; Misses Marietta Custer and Jane Ready, costume assistants; Miss Micaela Martinez, scenic design; and Richard Bourvet, scenic construction.

FORMAL DEFINITION

In response to public inquiries, the Guild also released a formal definition of "Catholic Theater" to explain objectives of the movement.

"'Catholic Theater' generically, is a movement which seeks to teach, represent, and project the Catholic way of life and living through the medium of the stage, by unitedly adhering to the fundamental standards of Catholic philosophy, art and morality as applied to the theater; and, specifically, an effort to establish a solid and enduring American Catholic dramatic literature, by the provision of this literature to Catholic theater groups for production, and by the integration of this tradition with a rich depository of Catholic faith and culture."

"GOOD PLAYS WELL STAGED"

In naming its objectives, the Guild also stressed that "good plays well staged" is equally important in reaching these aims.

"Brother Petroe's Return," under the direction of Miss Sullivan, will be produced next month in San Francisco, on the peninsula and other northern California cities.

Irish Society Receives New Books

Two books were donated this week to the Eire Oge Society by Miss Alice Doyle of 2025 Jackson Street, according to Peter Crowley, president of the club.

One is the illustrated text "The Heart of Ireland" by P. A. Sharkey; the other is titled "Ireland's Fight for Freedom" by George Creel. It sets forth the highlights of Irish history.

Also the 'Irish History Reader" was donated by Leo Cooney of 3987 Forrest Hill avenue in Oakland.

In the college library is a definite section set apart for these Irish texts and periodicals. The club is at present planning a program to raise funds to buy more books.

In conjunction with St. Patrick's Day the Eire Oge Society will hold an open forum on the Irish-English question on next Wednesday, March 19, at 7:30 o'clock in De La Salle lounge.

The main speaker for the evening will be Daniel Griffin, President of the Irish Republican Clubs of San Francisco. Griffin was actively engaged in Irish-Anglo affairs from 1916-1923.

Other speakers on the program include Brother Edmund, F. S. C., and John Henning, graduate of the class of 1937.

Frosh Debate Teams Active During Week

Upholding the affirmative of the topic, "The nations of the western hemisphere should form a permanent union," a freshman debate team, composed of Philip Brancucci and Alfred Stringer opposed a pair of first year men from San Francisco State College, on Tuesday evening, March 11. The debate, held in De La Salle Lounge and attended by a large number of resident students, was a non-decision contest.

On Saturday, March 8, another freshman team composed of Richard Saveri and James Boock met with a team from the University of San Francisco over Station KROW on the topic, "The United States should retire from the Orient." The Saint Mary's team upheld the negative of the topic in the non-decision contest.

Keith Oil Painting To be Shown here

Soon to be exhibited in the Saint Mary's College Keith Gallery is an oil painting by William Keith, famous landscape painter, which has been donated to the college by Mr. Harry Wheland of Atherton, California.

Mr. Wheland, a former student of the Old Brickpile purchased the picture expressly for the Keith Gallery. The picture will be on display in the near future.

Brother Cornelius, art instructor, reevaled that the picture measures 24 by 30 inches, and is an objective oil by the artist, painted on the coast. After viewing the picture Brother Cornelius titled the work "The Dead Giant." It depicts a fallen Redwood tree.

At the present time there are approximately 45 pieces of the famous California artist's paintings on exhibit.

Senior Sketch + +

By GEORGE FARNHAM

One week ago Lionel Quigley Holmes places his size 12 Oxford upon the brake of the Collegian Ford, pressed with all the remaining energy of his lanky, copy-punished, six-foot frame, and brought that familiar vehicle to a castigating, staccato stop for the last time in his collegiate career as a journalist. Holmes was through; the next staff would take over with the subsequent issue of the Collegian, but it was the remotest worry in his mind.

Since that eventful evening Holmes has been living as a common, ordinary citizen of this little white academic city. His cheeks are beginning to glow; there is a faint trace of physical vitality beginning to show signs of an attempt at making a comeback, his step is more sprightly, his early morning greeting lacks the usual tired yawn, which formerly accompanied it. Ah, yes, Holmes is living!

GONE ARE THE DAYS

Gone are those hectic days when he used to pound incessantly at the rickety Collegian typewriters, grinding out reams of "copy" like an automaton. Those murderous nights in the office with only metallic clicks of the blunderwoods, the inane chirping of the crickets, and the noisy barking of the frogs are only searing reminiscences upon Holmes' memory pad now. But the result of all this labor will not soon be forgotten in this valley.

In the 34-year old history of the Collegian, only one man has been editor two years running—Lionel Holmes. His reign as big wig in the Collegian wigwam was a step of advance in its history. His assiduous manner of checking all copy, no matter how trivial, is one of the reasons for his success as a student editor. His editorials, whether he was advocating student reform, commending a successful affair or denouncing majorettes, were always well-written, and his column "Editorial Emphasis" was another highlight in his luminous career.

MEET MR. HYDE

Much is known of Holmes, the editor, but little is known of Holmes, the student and the esthete. You know Doctor Jekyll; now meet Mr. Hyde!

Were you aware, to begin with, that this gangly, blank-faced typewriter athlete is a poet? Ah, yes! Holmes has lived before. He may be classed as a "romantic" poet, both in the literary and amorous sense of the word. While he can write of the stars and the trees beneath them, Holmes' lyrical leanings in a quantitative sense are more toward the latter than the former. A Hayward address is said to be the lodging of his "Beatrice."

Lionel Quigley has a few hobbies, among which is the "appreciation of classical music"—and therein lies a tale. His first taste for this type of syncopation came after he met a bass fiddle player in a local girls' orchestra. His nightmares were rather complicated thereafter.

WHAT IS HE?

Holmes possesses a peculiar mixture of the radical and the reactionary. There are times, for example, in the wee hours of the tender dawn when a small glass of milk (spelled, m-i-l-k) will satiate his voracious thirst, and there were other occasions, not at all infrequent, when nothing less than a "Pink Lady" would suffice.

Born in Tulare, a hamburger stand in the wilds of a northern California highway, Lionel Quigley Holmes has always had an extreme aversion for anything tame or domestic—thus explaining that call-of-the-wild flicker which always dominates his quick glances. This influence is sometimes noted in his writings (c.f., "Coed Editorial").

In his extra-journalistic life, L.Q.H. has been extremely active. He has found time to become an Eagle scout, was an ex-officio member of the Ex council for two years, member of the Social Committee for the same length of time, track man, swimmer, basketball player (after a dated fashion), and a charter member of the Junior G-Men. And you thought rigor mortis had set in long ago!

OF HIS SCHOOLING

In concordance with his rough and ready birthplace and his rugged nature, Quigley enrolled at 13 in Roosevelt High school, Oakland, where he majored in home economics. 'Twas there that he received his primary education in the art of penmanship. While at the 23rd Avenue school he began, surreptitiously, what would probably be recognized as the largest mailing list possessed by a collegian, if the facts were known. There are some things of which even his mother is unaware. He receives perfumed letters daily from San Francisco, Fruitvale, San Jose, Hayward, Berkeley and way points.

Lionel has formulated definite plans for his future. He wants to go back to Tulare, take over the hamburger stand, and with the proceeds buy a newspaper which he will use to tell people off. In the meanwhile, Lionel Quigley Holmes is living! He is only eight papers behind in his philosophy class, now, and it's all due to his ejection as editor of the Collegian.

Touring Students See Vivid Picture of State History

"The best way to study history is by visiting the place where it was made." This old axiom was put into practice by four members of History 135, California history, led by Brother Edmund, instructor in the course, in a field trip to missions and other spots of historical interest within 150 miles of Saint Mary's.

MISSION SAN JUAN

Leaving the campus at 8:45 in an automobile driven by Roy Lemucci, frosh gridder, the tourists first visited Mission San Jose, which is about 15 miles from San Jose proper. After a short visit at this mission, of which only the storehouses remain, the party resumed their tour southward until they arrived at Mission San Juan Bautiste, located about nine miles from Hollister. After a picnic lunch, which was hungrily devoured on a hill overlooking beautiful San Juan valley, all of which was once cultivated by the mission, the six travelers were shown most thoroughly through the mission. The guides were Father Donnelly, a Maryknoll priest, who recently returned from ten years service in South China, and Brother Louis, a lay Brother who was once a movie actor, appearing with such "greats" as Mabel Normand and Rudolph Valentino.

Leaving this excellently preserved mission, the sextet crossed the street to Hotel Plaza, which dates back to the middle 1800's. Most interesting here was the barroom in which are preserved many relics of earlier days. This hotel, now owned by the state, has been partially restored to its early condition. Eventually the state hopes to remove traces of some of the later improvements and to find a place for the thousands of early relics which are scattered about. After examining the house of Jose Castro, last Mexican governor of California, which stands next to Hotel Plaza, the travelers resumed their journey after a three hour stopover at San Juan.

CARMEL OUTSTANDING

Carmel, "Jewel of the Missions," was next inspected by the class. This mission, which has been greatly restored, having been abandoned for about 50 years, is the last resting place of Father Serra, founder of the missions, Father Crespi and Father Lasuen, leaders in the establishment of missions. After touring the interior of storehouses and the chapel, the inquisitive sextet climbed to the belfry of the mission to examine the bells which were donated by the king of Spain.

Motoring around Carmel Bay, the travelers next visited the Carmelite Monastery, which possesses simple beauty. Inside, the kneeling benches and chairs are wicker in the European manner. Strict silence and seclusion are practiced by the members of this order.

MONTEREY VISITED LAST

Historic Monterey was the last point of interest for the students. Because the town abounded with historical sites and buildings, the tourists chose to walk. Outstanding among the sights were the Custom House, Colton House, where the constitution was drawn up for the state of California, and which now serves as a courthouse, the Presidio of Monterey, and numerous residences of people famous in early California history.

From this point the six travelers chose to return home after a day spent amidst surroundings that recalled the romantic days of Spanish and Mexican California. Students who made the tour were upper classmen Carter Callan, Frank Medina, William Gallagher and Garrett Fox. Brother Edmund, instructor in history, planned the journey, and acted as leader. Roy Lemucchi furnished the transportation.

Forensic Men Impressed By San Quentin Debating Team

Through the efforts of Dr. H. A. Shuder, in charge of the Department of Education at San Quentin prison for the past ten years, two varsity debaters trekked to Marin county where they opposed three of the inmates, last Sunday, March 9. The San Quentin debaters upheld the affirmative of the question, "Resolved: That it is possible to establish a just and lasting peace between Germany and France."

Both James Boock and Horway Witteman, Foch debate winners, remarked on the intelligent and appreciative audience that witnessed this annual debate. "It was the most responsive audience that I have ever spoken before, I was impressed by the gentlemanly attitude of both the audience and debaters. Dr. Albert Cunningham, Mr. Homer Ward, and Mr. Robert McCreary, the prison debaters, all presented well-developed arguments, and they upheld a completely different line of arguments than were presented by the University of Santa Clara debaters in the Foch debate," Witteman stated.

Contrary to the statements appearing in the daily newspapers, San Quentin was not judged the winner; Warden Duffy and Brother Cyprian, Saint Mary's debate moderator, who accompanied the debaters, decided the contest was a draw. No decision was rendered following the debate. The three San Quentin debaters remarked that it was one of the most interesting and heated debates that they have had this year.

OTHER SAN QUENTIN DEBATES

Dr. H. A. Shuder has arranged for debates with the University of San Francisco, University of California, San Jose State, San Francisco State and Montana State. The prison forensic society, besides opposing Saint Mary's, met and defeated Stanford University Sunday, March 2.

After the debate, dinner was served to the five debaters in the officer's mess. Guests included Warden Duffy, Brother Cyprian, Father O'Meara, chaplain of the California State penitentiary, V. Frank Olson, brother to the governor, and Mr. Charles Webber, news agent for noted stage, screen and radio personalities, Joseph Merchant, Saint Mary's alumnus of the class of '95 and a member of the state prison board, and Mr. Carroll, father of Charles Carroll, '08, also attended the debate banquet.

CLEANLINESS MAKES IMPRESSIONS

"The cleanliness and orderly appearance of this prison made a lasting appearance on my memory," Boock stated. "We were impressed by good will and gentlemanliness displayed by both the debaters and the 300 inmates, who attended the debate. It was indeed a never to be forgotten experience."

Intercollegiate Ball Bids On Sale Now

(Continued from Page One)

respectively, and William Egan, senior class president. Since the bids are limited, a "first come, first serve" policy will be pursued.

Following the tradition of all Saint Mary's dances, no corsages will be permitted for the ladies.

Favors will be given to all the young ladies attending the ball, and the gifts will be styled on a collegiate theme and will be a valuable and representative souvenir of the affair. As the type of favor would be an element of surprise, the committee would not disclose or describe them.

The CIC is composed of the following schools: Holy Names College, Oakland; Dominican College, San Rafael; San Francisco College for Women; Notre Dame, Belmont; Saint Mary's; and the Universities of Santa Clara and San Francisco. William Grul, vice-president of Santa Clara and chairman of the CIC, presided at the meeting.

HEADS OF AFFAIR

Co-chairmen for the intercollegiate ball are Antoinette Waters, president of San Francisco College for Women, and Anthony Tarantino, ASUSF president. Others serving on the executive committee are: Calcagno, Egan, Beck, publicity; June Stricker, Kay McNamara of Dominican College, decorations; Adelaide Burch, Juanita Drier and Ann Gallagher of Holy Names, distribution of bids; Tarantino, Robert Rossi and Robert Bannon of USF, favors.

Catholic Action Lectures Set

"Reconstruction: the World of Tomorrow," is the theme chosen this year for the annual series of lectures presented by members of the faculty of Saint Mary's College on the promotion of some phase of Catholic action. These lectures are made possible through the sponsorship of the Holy Names Society of Saint Francis De Sales parish and Monsignor Gleanson, pastor of the church.

On April 13 in a second of a series of addresses, Professor James J. Hagerty will speak on "Conquering the World"; Catholic Action." Brother Angelus Raphael will conclude the series on May 11; the topic of his address will be "The New Jerusalem."

ALUMNI NOTES + +

HOMECOMING DAY COMMITTEE MEETING

On Thursday, March 13, the Executive Committee of the General Homecoming Day Committee met to draft the program for April 20th, the day set for the annual trek to the campus. Chairman James McNamara announced that program would be completed in time for publication in next week's column.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Homecoming Day. Sunday, April 20.

Annual Dinner to Seniors, Thursday, May 8.

Retreat at El Retiro, Thursday, May 30.

IRISH HISTORY LIBRARY

Jack Henning, Chairman of the committee appointed to augment the Irish history library, has requested your columnist to again notify the members that they may cooperate by forwarding books on the subject of Irish history to Brother Clement, College Librarian.

SAN FRANCISCO UNIT MEETING

Jack Smith, '29, Chairman of the recently held meeting of the San Francisco Unit, reports that the affair was a great success. Among the many present were head football coach, Norman "Red" Strader and his two assistants, Eddie Erdelatz and Marty Kordick. Louis "Dutch" Conlan, basketball mentor, was also in attendance.

Included in the program of entertainment following the business meeting was the showing of the Fordham-Saint Mary's game moving pictures.

ALUMNI HERE AND THERE

Persistent rumors drifting into this department have been dispelled by the formal announcement of the marriage of Alice Marie Van Hecke to Bill Simon in Saint Matthew's Cathedral, Washington, D. C.

Simon is with the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Washington and since the nuptials he has been receiving congratulatory messages from his friends on the Pacific Coast . . . Franklin Marris, '35 recently joined the ranks of the benedicts—congratulations Franklin . . . Arthur Mott, '36, is to marry the sister of Alex Labourdette, x'33, in the near future. The Labourdette's are descendants of George Washington . . . Another nuptial blessing will take place in the near future when Oisin Dineen, '34 marries Noreen Shea of Berkeley. . . Among the many alumni who officiated in the California Catholic Basketball Tournament held on the campus were: Charles Scheflin, George Wilson, Charles Baird, William Fischer, Leonard Callan and Raymond Gross . . . Cliff Naughton, x'42, is one of the radio announcers we hear over KLX these days. . . . Harry Ebding, of football fame, is presently engaged as an inspector with the Todd California Shipbuilding Corporation in Richmond. . . . Daniel E. Doran, '12, who while on undergraduate at the Old Brickpile was the assistant editor of the Monitor, is now in Hollywood as the Pacific Coast representative of the National Catholic Welfare Conference News Service. This company services approximately one hundred eighty-five publications and has offices at 739 N. Mariposa street, Hollywood Since taking up this work Dan has become a prominent speaker on the subject of the Catholic Press and is much in demand in the southland, particularly at breakfasts of the Holy Names Society. John Doran, '09 a prominent San Francisco attorney is a brother of Daniel E. Doran.

St. Mary's Club Notes

The next meeting of the Saint Mary's Club will be held on Wednesday evening, March 19th, 1941 in The Knights of Columbus Building (Club Room, 3rd floor) 150 Golden Gate Ave., at 8:30 p.m. Please try to attend as matters of importance will be discussed. Sponsors of new members try to have the members present so that they may be introduced and become more familiar with our organization.

BASEBALL FANS:

The first appearance of the Saint Mary's Phoenix (1940 Intercollegiate Champs) in S. F. will be next Sunday, March 16th when they tangle bats with their old rivals, the Santa Clara Broncs, in Seals Stadium, 16th and Bryant Streets. Time, 2:30 p.m.

The Broncos have just returned full of fire and pep after victorious clashes against U.S.C. and U.C.L.A. in the South, which indicates this should be a close one—will be seeing you all at the Old Ball Orchid Court Sunday.

Please mark Sunday, April 27, 1941 on your calendar immediately. Why? Because that is the date set this year for our Annual Big Brother Day at Saint Mary's College. More about this in later issues.

PERSONALS

Unconfirmed: Understand our genial Director Joe Fitzgerald had a couple of berries on "Bay View" the recent Santa Anita Winner or (apology to Bob Hope) was it another one of those seances that took place last week end when you awoke and found yourself on Kennedy's Dude Ranch and not in Palm Springs?

Could it have been the buttermilk, Joe?

To Ronnie MacDonald: The members would like you to read the contents of the letter you recently received from a certain Pastor in this city. We hope that the members will get their request at the next meeting, Mac.

BAND RAMBLINGS

By JACK KELLY

The language of a conscientious musician employed by a big-name maestro is, upon present reflection, somewhat staggeringly different from that of the average man-on-the-street. From time to time even those who have rearranged the King's English to fit their own personalities and music, are confronted with new words and we think a brief glossary of some of these handy abbreviations wouldn't be too much out of place here. So!

Front-man—leader of a band.

Side-man—any other player in the band.

Note-man—arranger.

Ride-man or take-off—a player who ad libs exceedingly hot-like.

Canary—female vocalist.

Smaltz, or ichee—sweet-music.

Corn—commericial; dated jazz.

Solid—with a solid hormonic foundation; swingy.

Intro—introduction.

Bridge—middle 8 bars of a chorus.

Sock it!—play it clean-out; loud.

Ever notice the way band-leaders signal their players. It's something like the referee at a football game. Benny Goodman holds up his fist when jamming with his sextet, which action indicates a close very soon; in other words "We're going out, guys." Interesting to note the local police removed one Rhumba band from Top of the Mark . . . Glen Gray's return to the Palace not only indicates his popularity, but shows confidence hotel backers have in hiring such a large outfit. . . . Richard Himber's 5 brass on "It All Comes Back to Me Now" are beautiful; (maybe it's the room, huh?) Somebody's dream came true when the old Deauville Club (now Lindy's) reopened—must have been Ernie Hecksher's. . . . We wonder how much more business the Drake would do if it hired a good band for once! . . . Lean an ear to Charlie Spivok, he's an up-and-comer! Miller beat out T. Dorsey for sweet-band laurels, but we'll take the trombonist. That's this week's coda, pals.

Campus K. of C. Add Books to Library

Several new books were added to the Brother Gregory Memorial library this week as donations from the Saint Mary's Council Knights of Columbus.

Among those books given to the collection in memory fo the late president of the college and noted educator are: "The Necessity for the Church," by W. E. Orchand; "The Parables of Christ," by Charles J. Callan; "Lucifer at Large," by McCole; "The Medieval Papacy in Action," by M. W. Baldwin, and "The Pope Speaks, the Words of Pius XII" by Charles Rankni.

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PLATE LUNCHES DAILY

Touring Arguers Complete First Lap of Journey

Will Engage Wash. State Forensics Team At Pullman Next

Bulletins from the north inform the student body that the traveling senior debate team of William Egan and Joseph McGrath has completed the first lap of its forensic tour. Ned Cotter, junior day student, is accompanying the two debaters as driver. Both Egan and McGrath are honor students; in addition, Egan is senior class president and McGrath was a star football player and intercollegiate boxer.

The trio left Saint Mary's College Monday morning, March 10. Their first stop was Shasta dam, Monday afternoon; that evening they lodged at Medford, Oregon. Tuesday afternoon, March 11, Egan, McGrath and Cotter arrived at Salem, Oregon. During their stay in this city the trio toured the state hospital as guests of Miss Katherine Kissane; the forensic team debated a team of Willamette university on the national topic. Tuesday evening the three Saint Mary's men were guests of Willamette university.

GUESTS OF PORTLAND U.

Wednesday, March 12, the debaters reached Portland, Oregon, and opposed a team from Portland University on the national topic. That evening the trio were guests of Portland university.

Thursday found the team in Seattle, debating Seattle college on the national topic. After the forensic meet, Egan, Cotter and McGrath remained at the college.

Today the two forensic men participated in a round table discussion with the University of Washington. The topic dealt with the question: "How can we best solve the problem of propaganda?" This evening the three representatives of Saint Mary's will be the guests of the Newman club of the University of Washington.

Between debates the trio toured Seattle and its vicinity, and motored to Vancouver, B. C.

DEBATES RENEWED MONDAY

With a suspension of debates during this week-end, McGrath and Egan will renew their forensic encounters next Monday, March 17, with a debate at Washington State, Pullman. This forensic encounter will conclude their stay in the state of Washington. Leaving Washington, they will motor to Montana, where they will defend the negative against Montana university at Missoula. Wednesday, the debaters will be the guests of Carroll college.

Motoring to Idaho, the trio will invade the campus of the University of Idaho, southern branch, at Pocatello. Friday, March 21, the duo will engage Utah State Agricultural college at Logan and the University of Utah at Salt Lake City.

The tour will end with a debate against Brigham Young university in Provo, Saturday, March 22.

Local YMI in Eastbay Communion and Breakfast

The Saint Mary's YMI members will receive holy communion with the eastbay YMI and YLI councils this Sunday at Saint Francis de Sales church in Oakland.

This is the outstanding joint event of the year for the YMI. Thomas E. Connelly and Evelyn Webberly are the co-chairmen of the affair.

Following mass, breakfast will be served at the Leamington hotel. The speaker at the breakfast will be Professor A. Hogan Jr., dean of law at the University of San Francisco.

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Gael Gossip

By

BILL FENERAN

Collegian Sports Editor

Win, lose or forfeit, the Phoenix still looks to us like the top team in the CIBA. In last week's games with the Golden Bear, the lack of sufficient batting practice, thanks to Jupe the Rainmaker, and the need for experienced pitching, made Earl Sheely's charges look, at times, shabby, but by no means bad.

In fact, the Morgans did right well by themselves in certain departments, warming the cockels of ye student body's heart.

Charlie Mori, for example, shows all indications of setting the conference on its ear. To our way of thinking, he's the coolest, smartest hurler to wear the Red and Blue since Johnson, excluding, of course, Emmet O'Neill. Wes Bailey will also prove a valuable asset to the varsity, but he and Mori can't carry the entire load.

Bud Pierovich by his heads-up ball playing at the hot corner has stamped himself as a comer. His hidden-ball putout of Amling last week was a masterpiece of subtlety. Darryl Reynolds is a worthy successor to the hitting title held by graduated Glenn Smnott—that is, so far. And orchids to Andy Marefos,, Mike Mazaika and Bob Ferrier for trying out for the baseball team. The reason is obvious.

Scholarly Athletes A Gael Custom . . .

Joe McGrath, as outstanding a Saint Mary's man as he is, does not stand alone as an athlete and brilliant student. The list of Gaels who paraded on the gridiron, court and diamond, and still had time to rank among the highest in their class scholastically, or to shine as a forensic or journalistic light, is a long and honorable one.

WALT HARRIS

Walt Harris, former Gael varsity quarterback, is perhaps the best example. Walt was a brilliant quarterback several years back, an honor student, and a member of the debate team that successfully toured the country promoting the name of Saint Marys—the same tour which Joe McGrath is about to make. Harris is at present, studying to become a Jesuit priest.

Vic Strub was another. He and Ned O'Laughlin, both gridders, debated on a nationwide broadcast against two Fordham men, when the Gaels were meeting the Rams in New York. And, win they did. Karl Orth is remembered as President of his class, outstanding orator and athlete. Sparky Farrell is one of the older grads who performed on the football and baseball field, and became prominent in the scholastic field.

Al Westlake, captain of the Phoenix, in '25, was editor of the Collegian, and an honor student. Larry Webber was exceptionally active in all extra-curricular activities, besides being a brilliant baseball player, and his teammate Warren Robertson matched him in nearly every department. Warren Jenkins stands out as an ex-pitcher, orator and scholar, while Bill Bourne will long be remembered for his part in molding the traditions of the College's best known oratorical contest... Winner of it himself, he was tremendously active in student scholarship affairs, as well as being one of the best catchers ever turned out at Moraga. Bourne is now studying law at Hastings —on a scholarship.

Len Thomas was a diamond star, debater, honor student and president of the ASSMC. Bill Spehar, of course, is basketball's contribution to the list. A maxima cum laude grad, he was a member of the Casaba squad, as was Tom Feeney, another example of a scholarly athlete who became student prexy. Larry Minahen, too, was a debater and cager. 'Tis a long list and an enlightening one. An inspiration to present Gael athletes, it is also Saint Mary's boast to the world. Top it if you can.

The Buffalo Germans; Best-Ever . . .

Left over from basketball season is this commentary on the cage sport. The best basketball team the world has even known was the Buffalo Germans, a sixplayer team that cavorted around the turn of the century. They played five seasons without a single defeat, and won the world's championship at the Panama Exposition of 1915. Of Teutonic descent, the boys paced themselves according to the opposition, and built up thir rep by such tricks as grabbing the dribbler's thumb, and tossing him on his back.

The greatest college team of the time was Hobart College, which was to basketball then, as Joe Louis is to boxing now. The collegians scoffingly challenged the Buffalo Germans to a game in the Hobart gym, and the Teutons accepted. In front of a huge college crowd, the Germans (100% American) taught the school boys how to play basketball, annihilating them by the unheard of score of 134 to 0. That score still stands as the best offensive and defensive record ever established by any team, anywhere, any time.

Sport Slants

By JIM LORIGAN

Baseball and Mrs. Mamie Owens Josephs blew right in the Gael front door last Saturday when both made their 1941 diamond debut.

Mrs. J. was in rare form, if that's anything startling; for who has ever heard her when she wasn't in the best of rooting fettle. This year just about marks off the first decade that the No. 1 Gael rooter has lost her larynx in behest of her beloved Phoenix. Always loyal to the last tonsil, Mrs. Josephs is becoming an institution about Saint Mary's baseball teams. She also has supplied Gael diamond rosters with two of her brood. I think it really would be fitting if the Phoenix adopted her as the Mother of Moraga baseballers.

Gael basketball stock boomed fifteen points in the last week as ex-Gael courtsters received considerable recognition for their casaba prowess. Kenny Meitz and big Swede Anderson, both basketeers under the Dykes regime, accompany the locally victorious Olympic quintet in their quest of the national championship at Denver, Meitz was voted the most valuable man on the squad, and both he and Anderson made the all-tourney team.

A really big man behind the scenes here at our small home, is one Andrew R. Johnson. Equally generous as he is prominent, the affable Mr. Johnson has been playing Santa Claus to Saint Mary's for lo these many years and I think it is now time to bring the light of praise on the modest Andy R. Friend Andrew did not honor the portals of Gaeldom with his presence as a student, but like all the members of the Saint Mary's Club, of which he is a founder, his heart belongs to Saint Mary's, so to speak. Those of you who saw the recent boxing matches probably were amazed at the excellence of the team trophy that went to Saint Mary's as the winner. That my friends was the unselfish gift of our benefactor, A. R. J.

Something you didn't see were thoe small gold boxing gloves each winner received, and the silver loser's gloves. That also, dear reader(s), came from the personal account of Mr. Johnson. Through his influence, three trophies wer procured for the prep tourney held here last week. Have I said enough or shall I go on? But seriously, I think Saint Mary's friend, Mr. Andy Johnson deserves a great deal of thanks from students and alumni alike.

Saint Ignatians Win 'Best-Yet' Prep Cage Title

Dark Horses Battle For Honors as Sacred Heart Second for Third Time

Sparked by a sensational scoring spurt by Ed Hennessy, star guard, Saint Ignatius high school of San Francisco turned a close encounter into a rout by defeating a fighting Sacred Heart five, 30 to 20, in the concluding set-to of the third annual Catholic basketball tournament held on the Saint Mary's College campus last week-end.

HENNESSY HIGH POINT MAN

Saint Ignatius led, 10-9, at the intermission and again 19 to 16 at the three-quarter mark. Hennessy's twelve points for the night gave him high scoring honors for both teams. The outstandin gperformances of Driscoll, center, and Miller, guard, were the high spots for Sacred Heart.

Saint Elizabeth high of Oakland, winner of the first tournament of this nature, opened this successful tourney last Friday afternoon by eliminating Saint Mary's of Berkeley, 32-28.

All-Tournament Team

FIRST TEAM

Name.	Pos.	School
Dick O'Keefe	f	St. James
Bill Ahern	f	St. Joseph's
Ray Driscoll	c	Sacred Heart
Jack Hanson	g	St. Elizabeth's
Merv O'Leary	g	St. James

SECOND TEAM

Name.	Pos.	School
Ed Miller	f	Sacred Heart
Ed Hennessey	f	St. Ignatius
E. Bertollotti	c	Christian Bros.
Ray Higgens	g	St. Mary's(Berk.)
Bill Byrne	g	St. Ignatius

The second game of the tournament found Christian Brothers defeating Bellarmine (San Jose) 28-26. Saint Joseph's of Alameda easily defeated the visiting Mount Carmel quintet from Los Angeles, 38-20. In the final first round matches, a superior St. James five easily drubbed a weaker Saint Mary's (Stockton) to a tune of 44-16.

IGNATIANS EKE WIN

St. Ignatius, like Sacred Heart, had to come from behind before subduing Saint Elizabeth in a free scoring contest 44-39.

Christian Brothers defeated the classy and favored St. Joseph basketeers, 32-31, in the closing minutes of play after being outplayed throughout the game.

In the other quarter-final game, St. James continued its high scoring antics by smothering St. Vincent's high under a barrage of buckets, defeating the Vallejo team, 42-20.

The semifinals found Sacred Heart eliminating Christian Brothers, 40-19, and St. Ignatius stopping St. James, 35-32, in the other contest.

ST. IGNATIUS	F.G.	FT	TP
Barry	2	1	5
Byrne	3	2	8
Flaherty	2	1	5
Roberts	0	0	0
O'Shea	0	0	0
Hennessy	4	4	12
	11	8	30

SACRED HEART	F.G.	FT	TP
Sarreille	2	0	4
Mahoney	0	0	0
Driscoll	2	1	5
Murphy	1	0	2
Isaquirre	0	1	1
Heagney	0	0	0
Miller	4	0	8
	9	2	20

Varsity Nine Drops Pair to Cal's Bears

Playing more like a circus troupe than a baseball team the Saint Mary's Phoenix handed two ball games to dear cousin Calvin over Strawberry Canyon way.

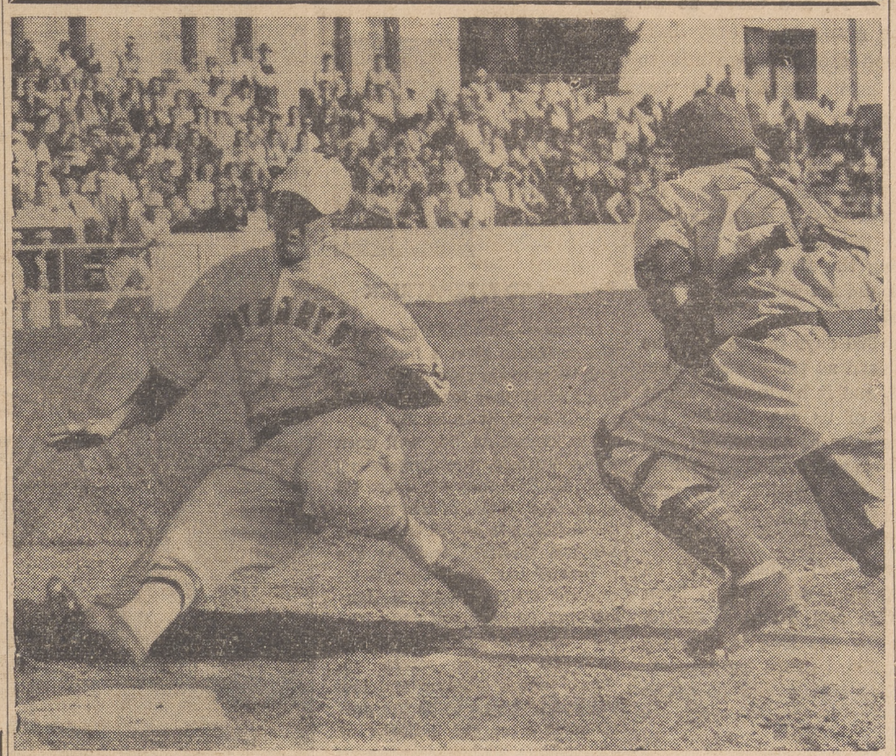
This sudden burst of generosity from the Moraga-men made the little bear a bit hesitant about accepting, but he was finally convinced of the receiving of the two ball games as presents after watching the Phoenix cavort for several innings.

The score of Saturday's game was 6-2. California cinched the game in the fourth inning when they tallied four times on two hits. In that merry fourth Saint Mary's made five errors, with three coming on one play. On that particular play the bags were loaded. A ground ball to Tran was booted, then thrown over the first baseman's head, then into left field, and finally ended its travels in the grandstand. By this time the bases were emptied and the batter was on third. Jacobsen's single chased him across for the fourth run.

The first Saint Mary's run came in the seventh when Darryl Reynolds tripled and scored on a long fly. The Phoenix garnered six hits, three by Reynolds. Mori went the route and held California to six hits.

Carl Hoberg of football fame bore the brunt of the California attack in both games. In the first game one of Mori's fast balls caught him on the nose. After considerable tugging and pushing Hoberg's profile was put back in place and he finished the game.

ST. MARY'S SPORTS COLLEGIAN



SAFE! Darryl Reynolds, Phoenix left fielder, slides safely into home plate in last Saturday's fracas with California, which the Bears won 6-2. Carl Hoberg is the California catcher coming up just too late. Hoberg played the entire game with a broken nose and a sprained ankle. Reynolds was the individual batting star for Saint Mary's, hitting three for four. —Courtesy of Oakland Tribune.

Galloping Gaels Gallivant With Opening of Spring Grid Practice

55 Football Men Turn Out; First Intersquad Battle March 21; Red Plans Slam-Bang Offense

The Sun finally decided to come out and at long last the Saint Mary's Gaels began Spring football practice last Monday.

For the first week practice consisted only of blocking, kicking and tackling, and in general the coaching staff looked for the special capabilities of the boys and the improvement of their weak points.

First Game Next Friday

The first of the regular practice games will be held next Friday. These games will be refereed by conference officials. As yet, Strader has not picked the starting teams for the clash, but he has divided the boys into five teams. On the basis of what anyone shows in practice they will be shifted from string to string.

Strader has veterans back at every position. At the ends there are Leroy Ruskusky and Ray Curry.

Both first string tackles are back. They are Owen Henson and John Tonsing.

ZUBEY, CLEMONS GUARDS

George Zubey, the kicking lineman, and Ray Clemons are the veteran guards, while an excellent line is completed by Brad Sheafe or Al Ratto at center.

"Terrible" Tony Compagno is the only first string backfield man that returns, but George Arabian at quarterback, James "the Mooner" McPartland at left halfback and John Odisio at fullback all saw plenty of action last season.

Red Strader revealed that Saint Mary's will have a new type of offense this year, but he said that it must remain secret for the present. But he did drop a hint that it would be a wide-open, slam-bang type that will have the opposition on its toes at all times.

Frosh on Win Streak; Meet Oilers, Alameda

Undefeated in their past four contests, the Saint Mary's freshman baseball team is contemplating extending their streak of victories to a greater number in their coming games. Games scheduled for the Gaelets are Richmond High here at 10 o'clock on Saturday and Alameda High at 3 o'clock on Monday, March 18. Standouts on the Squad have been Marve Kranda, Ray Henningsen, John Fitzgerald and John Hooper.

Kranda has been pacing the squad with his sensational hitting while his Omaha companion, Henningsen, with his fine fielding and timely hitting has been sparking the attack. Both Fitzgerald and Hooper are pitching fine low-hit ball and with the aid of good infielding have kept their opponents' scores down. Billotti has been doing the bulk of the catching because of the injury to Gormley. If Gormley is not able to participate in this week-end's contests, Giusti will be moved in from the outfield to spell Billotti.

Aguirre to Put Shot In Long Beach Relays

Joe Aguirre, star gridder and heavyweight boxer, will represent Saint Mary's tomorrow in the track and field competition at the Long Beach Relays in Southern California. Marty Kordick, minor sports director, announced that Aguirre would throw the sixteen pound shot.

THE SPORTS CALENDAR

MARCH 14
- Varsity tennis team vs. Armstrong College, here.

MARCH 15
- Phoenix vs. Athens Athletic Club, 2:30 p.m., here.
- Frosh nine vs. Richmond high school, 10:00 a.m., here.

MARCH 16
- Phoenix vs. Santa Clara, Seals Stadium, 2:30 p.m.

MARCH 18
- Frosh nine vs. Alameda high school, 3:00 p.m.
- Varsity tennis team vs. Santa Clara, there.

MARCH 21
- Varsity tennis team vs. Santa Clara, here.

Prune Valley Aces Sabotage Wolves

Five big burly gridders made the mistake of matching their basketball talent against five slim, trim Santa Clarans last Tuesday night in Vallejo high school's gym.

The Gaels, using football tactics, flittered away the contest, 33-25. George Arabian was the individual standout, making the most sensational shots from the most peculiar positions.

Joe Aguirre, whose best play was around end, was the Moraga Wolves' high point star, and Tom Coll, Andy Marefos, Mike Mazaika and Tony Compagno, among others, were "outstanding."

Yearling Nine Wins Four Straight Games

Led by Marv Kranda and John Fitzgerald, the frosh ball team defeated four opponents during the past week-end. The hapless victims were: Moffett field on Thursday, Commerce and Santa Rosa High schools in a doubleheader on Saturday, and Sacred Heart on Sunday.

It was Kranda's brilliant hitting that paced the squad over its opponents. Not only has he hit well, but most of the nine are hitting well over the .300 mark. Pitching stars have been John Fitzgerald and John Hooper, whose sparkling work has held all opponents to a few well-chosen hits.

Net Squad Plays Armstrong Today

The Saint Mary's tennis team will attempt to break into the win column when it faces Armstrong college at Golden Gate Park this afternoon. Owing to a lack of practice, the team has had a hard time getting started, but team members express the hope of their gaining third place in the Northern California tennis conference, a position they held at the end of last season.

The team has thus far lost two matches, one to the University of San Francisco and the other to San Francisco State. The players have been seeded as follows: Siebel, Dole, Witteman, McGowan, Lefler, Andrade, Pollock and Weber.

Saint Mary's Phoenix Sets Ambush For Santa Clara Sunday at Seals Stadium in First Game of Series

Broncos, Last Year's Jinx Team, Superior In Batting and Fielding Departments; Sheely Gives Starting Nod to Chuck Mori

Traditional foes since the turn of the century again don the attire of battle when Gael and Bronc cross bats at the Seals Stadium this Sunday in the first of their three-game series. This meeting will be the first and also the last appearance of the Phoenix in the Bryant Street ballpark as only one Gael contest is scheduled for that diamond this year.

BRONCO MORE POWERFUL

Under the ray of statistics, brother Bronco looks far the superior, both from power at the bat and on the field. Both the Gael and Bronco have played three games. Santa Clara has walloped USC and UCLA and in turn was defeated once by both. Each of these opponents are potent in baseball material and no mean task was affected in bringing about their defeat. Saint Mary's on the other hand has also had three tilts, losing two and winning one. Stanford being the unfortunate victim of the Gaels while Clint Evans's Berkeley boys soundly thrashed the Sheelymen twice, 8 to 2 and 8 to 1.

Inadequacy of a suitable and efficient pitching staff can be directly attributed to the losses suffered by the 1941 Phoenix. Wes Bailey, brilliant young sophomore hurler and Charley Mori carry the load of the hurling assignments. Ray Tran sometimes is shifted from his shortstop position to the box in cases of necessity.

MORI MAY GO SUNDAY

Mori pitched last Saturday's Bear game and probably will receive the nod for Sunday's battle also. Slated to oppose him for the Bronco nine will be either "Lefty" John Collins or Russ Lebeck. Collins, one of the Coast's most promising young southpaws, is wicked as a fire-ball chucker and has always proved a thorn in the side of Gael batters.

"Batter Up" time is due at 2:30 p.m., weather permitting.

Intramural Head Johnson Sets Track Meet for April

Attention speedsters! Jorgen Johnson, intramural sports manager, has announced that the Intramural Track Meet will be held on Saturday, April 19, 1941 No definite plans have been drawn up yet, however, anybody and everybody is eligible for competition Each class will enter one team. The events will be run off on Agnon Field.

Johnson has also announced that the order has been placed for awards for intramural baseball, football, and basketball. These medals are to be presented to the members of the winning teams sometime during the next month. The winning teams are the Freshman baseball team, the Senior football eleven, and the Junior basketball aggregation.

The track meet will bring down the curtain on the intramural sport parade for this semester.

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Give Us More Academies

Beneath the fog-laden skies, a celebration in honor of a great saint's feast began last week. Before long, however, slender shafts of light tentatively penetrated the gray fuzz and apparently liked what they found below, for the sun in all its brilliance burst into the patio and embraced the Saint Thomas Academy. Not only did the heavens acclaim the festivities, but those harshest of all critics, the Saint Mary's students as well.

"Best thing held on the campus in a long time," was the general sentiment. Much of the success of the affair may be attributed to the inherent beauty of the Thomistic philosophy itself, but the presentation likewise merits a measure of attention. Those in charge hit upon an infallible formula in offering a cross-section of views on the "Angelic Doctor." The papers read by a faculty member, a Dominican priest, and students shed a new light on the patron of Catholic schools. We think Saint Thomas was placed at the setting; budding trees and flowers and chirping birds heralding Spring and serving as a background for the recitation of eternal truths.

The Aquinas Academy deserves a lasting spot on the annual calendar of school activities. Congratulations are in order for the committee in charge.

We Hate War!

Few organizations have sprung into being more spontaneously, or have grown faster than the America First committee. Almost at the same moment, millions of men and women throughout the country have come to the conclusion that something must be done and done quickly to save the United States from the disasters that her present foreign policy seems to incur.

The committee arose, almost alone, to combat the terrorizing propaganda found constantly in nearly every newspaper in the country, and shouted by members of the present administration. Until the committee's advent, the American people were being bullied into fearing invasion at any moment. The William Allen White Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies dominated the situation; and this committee, as admitted by Mr. White himself, was being guided by deaders bent on war.

The America First committee is just what its name implies. In proof of this, it has refused to be affiliated with any organization having a foreign tint. It is against participation in the war, not because it hates England, which it doesn't, and not because it loves Germany, which it doesn't, but because it believes that America's foreign policy should be formulated with a view to the welfare of America and not primarily for the benefit or injury of any other nation or group of nations.

Among its list of members are some of the most energetic of Americans. General Robert E. Wood, Senator Burton K. Wheeler, Irwin S. Cobb, John T. Flynn, General Thomas Hammond, General Hugh S. Johnson, Hanford MacNider, Captain Edward Rickenbacker are all members of the national committee.

The apposition to America First is also formidable. Great names in what is called Society, great names in international finance, great wealth, are encouraging the American people to believe that they can enter the war without sacrificing life and liberty. The game is a reckless one. After the dictatorship bill comes war, and after war, the end of the republic. It is to avoid that chain of disasters that America First came into being. A nobler cause never invited the support of patriotic men and women. The finest thing an American can do is join America First.

Don't Wear the Green!

'Tis the likes of ourselves, surely, that do be having a great time entirely every year come March 17, and that's no lie. But isn't it the grand thing that Saint Patrick's day and the Eire Oge mix so well together. Sure, 'tis too bad that most of the time the Irish society sleeps like a cow in the road, and her with the drowsiness on her, and only steps onto its hind legs the one day in the year for a bit of a celebration;—but then, the Lord be praised and Saint Patrick, they do be manufacturing the finest program in the likes of you and me will ever see this side of Connacht.

So even if for 364 days in the year the Eire Oge is as dead as the brown potato under your feet, and it having the blight on it, the whole of us can put the bit Shamrock in the brim of our cobeen, and wish every lad from under the Four Winds of Erin a "God and Patrick save you, and may be friendly with the Good People for another year of days."

What's that you say? There won't be any Saint Patrick's day celebration? Then may the Eire Oge and the man at the head of it look for the hole in the bog where the great Saint drove the snakes, for 'tis there they belong and no other place.

MoragaMusings

High school class prophecy on the door of Atwood's room: "Destined to be a leader." Presidential timber? . . . They call Elliot the "Dead End Kid" on the rattler, now. . . . The Muser knows the name of the prominent geologist who visited the chem labs this week while experiments in C2H5OH were going on. Ah, blessed repose. . . . Collopy is the latest addict to the weed. Thursday found him indulging sureptitiously 'twixt classes in Galileo hall.

Famous first words: "I hope somebody saw us coming out of there; they wouldn't believe it otherwise" — Woodhouse and Noonan emerging from chapel Wednesday afternoon.

That candidate for the presidency may go into the race in a somewhat dilapidated condition. Still seeking a date for the CIC formal, the Alhambra kid banished the knife near another debater's juguar, only to be set back again with a "lay off or else" ultimatum. . . . Dominican scene: Boock, a pretty lassie and FOUR chaperones.

That quiet Marini, who never does anything to make the public prints, has been slipping. He's a junior, but he still gets great big football valentines, and not of the comic variety. . . . Bill Bettencourt, press rep, was caught in the draft. He's considering a column for the bay papers: "B. B. Shots from Fort Ord."

Wee Willie McPartland is muttering ominous words these days. It's all about a theat, a knife and Mooney. . . . And Fitzpatrick, the new Bystander, is keeping the mails hot between East Oakland and the state of Washington.

They're still talking about that faux pas pulled by Joe Nuss at the San Quentin debate in the presence of the state's political big wigs. . . . An All-Utah ace in basketball is Frank Callan; his scrap book says so.

INGENIOUS lawbreakers be these Moragans. . . . The "no corsage" rule left most undaunted . . . nearly everything from cactus to camelias covered the comely colleens' coiffures . . .

DID YOU KNOW THAT: . . . Character COLBERT, the new Collegiana, is very wery jealous?—Gale's making those delicious cakes for Klein, now—Colbert's getting thinner—from hunger and worry. . . The best campus dice chucker is Joe Hurley? He rolls them bones with grace of a Rochester. . . Farnham has a new editorial policy: No more debating news in the Collegian? . . . Bill Bettencourt, the press rep, is thinking of doing a column for the bay papers, entitled "B. B. Shots from Fort Ord." . . .

RANDOM SIGHTS: All the Sallys goin' sigh, sigh, when altruistic **Ed**, the gorjus guy, favored all and sundry with a dimpled smile. . . . **Camara**, the Co-op clown, crazily Congoing in the manner of a Hopi war hop, whatever that is. . . . Communist **Roddy Heidenreich**, who "blew" in with a red (on the henna side) . . .

"A WOMAN can make a sucker of a man everytime," is what **Burr Hohl**, that burly ball, has been mumbling in his beard . . . It seems that, in a romantic mood, last week, Burr gave his senior ring to a cute queen . . . and now he's wondering how he can get it back. . . .

The Bystander

Curtain Raises On First Column

By GERARD FITZPATRICK

Entrance—The lights grow dim, the orchestra gives a final wail, and the curtain rises on our initial performance for the dear old COLLEGIAN. It looks like slapstick. Trying on the well-worn shoes beneath the bystander's desk, we find they are a wee bit large. As a matter of fact we can get both feet in one of the boots! We feel flustered treading the boards of our illustrious predecessors, Glackin and Heidenreich, so we hope you will withhold the fruit barrage, at least until we get the screen up. "More campus chatter and less war stuff," seems to be the prescription from the majority of the students. Without trespassing on Muser, Collegiana, or Editorial Emphasis territory, we shall strive to satisfy your demands.

Ruts to you—Undeniably beautiful is the Saint Mary's Campus, and praiseworthy are the labors of the garden crew in adding to the natural loveliness of the White City. But is not an essential portion of the place being neglected? We refer to the roads—such as they are. The deluge of the past few months was bound to leave unfavorable impressions, but isn't it about time they were filled? We do not mind occasionally cracking our skull on the rafters when we hit some of the smaller craters lurking beneath a nearly morning haze. However, when a yawning chasm large enough to float a battleship opens before us—that's a little too much!

Getting soft—The community testimonial pageant held in Oakland last Saturday for the army and navy detachments called to active duty in the armed forces of the United States offered considerable food for thought. Permitting prejudice and emotion to hamper logical reasoning, we shout with the mob about the barbarous, uncivilized Germans. Are we justified in referring to our teutonic brethren in those terms? General David P. Barrows, former President of the University of California and main speaker at the Oakland celebration, brought out an astounding fact. Out of every thousand men examined for induction into the armed forces of this country only sixty per cent qualify physically and morally. Of a proportionate count in "uncivilized" Germany eighty-five per cent pass the examinaions, which are noted for their thoroughness. What does that make us? If the grandeur and culture of Rome could not save that queen of the Mediterranean once she started to decline in morality. Will we sit back complacently and grow soft, even between the ears, as the Romans? Certainly, the Germans are pinched in a quantitative sense, but they know what to do with what they have. It might be well for us to recall the wisdom in the warning, "Nothing in excess!"

Compulsory cards—Toward the end of every school year a variety of panaceas to cure student-body ills are advanced. To insure the success of a student activity, co-operation is necessary. The corpses of deceased clubs are horrible reminders of lack of co-operation. Though a few students are always willing to lend their time and talents to an enterprise, the burden of "dead-heads" eventually spells defeat. If the purchase of student-body cards were made compulsory, the budget could be set at the beginning of the year, and concerted action would be assured. The student "fifth-columnist" is a familiar figure. He clamors the loudest about the inactivity of organizations, but never shows up at a meeting. He will freely give you advice, but never concrete assistance. He knows all the answers—if you are foolish enough to ask the questions. He is a born leader, but he acts as if he were born yesterday. In his own eyes he is a hero, but he is appallingly near-sighted. He is the kind of character who would borrow a match from you to treat you to a hot-foot. That is the mill-stone about the neck of student activity. As long as the "dead-head" gets such enjoyment out of his depredations, why not have him pay for the privilege? At any rate, to that charming character we award a pair of rusty spurs from the Associated Jockeys of Moraga.

Editorial Emphasis

COMMENT ON CAMPUS NEWS

By George Farnham

In the days of Ben Jonson, William Shakespeare and the other great dramatists who flourished during their times, there was a peculiar theatrical colloquialism known as "throwing nuts to the groundlings." It means simply the insertion in a play of certain parts, vulgar or otherwise, in order to please the audience. This was the practice that contributed to the many attacks made on the theater and to its eventual banishment from England during the reign of Charles I.

The term has since become a part of the language, and the practice is still continued in the modern theater, with a major difference. Whereas in the 16th century drama, "nuts to the groundlings" was something extrinsic to the play, it now becomes a vital part of the modern stage. Witness "Tobacco Road," "Of Mice and Men," "Maid in the Ozarks" and many more.

Most notorious offenders among the modern writers are those makers of masques, the musical comedy authors. Their theory, comparable to that of the newspaper publishers who insist that the average age of the American reading public is 11 years, is that theater-goers are most entertained by scenes of obscenity, and that the foremost passion in man is lust. Newspaper men are now beginning to doubt their theory; I wonder when the so-called dramatists will come forward?

One attempt was made recently by musical comedy producers to eliminate as much as possible the "nuts to the groundlings' element in their field of the drama. "Meet the People" is the name of their vehicle. Its humor is on a much higher level than its contemporary productions, and for a musical comedy it is tops. Satirical, humorous, melodious, bristling with vitality and fast-moving, it drew thunderous approval from packed houses when it played in San Francisco last Autumn. Even now it is playing an extended engagement on the "Great White Way" of New York City.

'Meet The People'

The theater, whether it knows it or not, has an obligation of education. Not necessarily has it the sacred trust of forming popular taste, and though we may deny this on a stack of bibles, it is nonetheless true. Journalists used to refer boastfully to the "power of the press" (until some recent presidential elections). The theater from its origin has always been an influential power in life. Its influence is not only felt in the higher circles, in the litterati, but it contributes heavily to contemporary collegiate drama.

Seldom is it that a college produces a play written by one of its students; there are musical comedies with which sophistication, one of the crimes of the professional stage, is permeated, but there is a minimum of straight drama or comedy coming from the higher seats of learning. Any fool can be obscene; sin is the easiest thing in the world to commit because there is no act of the will involved in the commission. But let a collegian try his hand at something other than raucous masques and you'll see an overwhelming percentage of them end up in miserable failures. It is the philosophy of the modern world and the modern stage, "take the easiest road," that is responsible.

Give us more productions like "Meet the People" and you will discover that there will be a corresponding uplift in quality of collegiate presentations. There is a considerable element of thinking involved in the creation of this type of comedy; that's why we don't see many "Meet the People" productions on either the professional or the collegiate stage, and that's why the modern stage is saturated with "stage door Johnnies" and the other variegated specimens of theatrical bums.

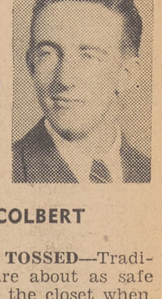
Give Gael Support

The greatest worry of any editor is not whether he keeps within the libel laws, nor is it trouble with the printers. The head man on any newspaper, magazine or book concerns himself only slightly with printers and lawyers; the worst travesty that can happen to any editor is—an absence of circulation. Right now Horway Witteman is suffering that calamity of all calamities. The success of the 1941 Gael, of any yearbook, depends almost wholly on its circulation, and at present there does not seem to be any silver linings on Horway's clouds.

There is one danger in imparting this knowledge to you, again. You have heard it so many times that it sounds like a war cry—you believe it, but you just can't fancy the actuality of it. If you belong in this category, take heed. The editor of the Gael carries with him the terrific burden of producing a high quality book within a limited budget, which has been parsimoniously adhered to this year. Consequently he cannot possibly print more than a certain number of the yearbooks, therefore, if you're not on the inside within a few days, you'll be on the outside looking over somebody else's shoulder in the same length of time.

Collegiana

Riotous Remarks Regarding Riff-raff



By RICHARD COLBERT

TRADITIONS TOSSED—Traditions in 1941 are about as safe as the china in the closet when the bull enters (set-up for gag?); so we've set the jaw, and—following someone else's lead—have bared our teeth and inaugurated ourselves by crushing a juicy precedent between the sheets of paper in our typewriter. As a matter of fact, ogre that we are, we have done the same with three perfectly harmless traditions, and that without a blush.

First, we ought to bid a cynical goodbye to the man who warmed the Collegiana seat for the last year or so. Then, with the proper ratio of tears and good-luck-old-man, the old "Big Ed" (we know what it sounds like) should be kicked on his aimless way. With the old staff dismissed, the tradition demands that we drip a little sychopantic honey over the oily locks of the new man behind the desk. But what we've said still goes. Tradition, you grease-smear on the road of progress, you farm boy on the dance floor of life, leave this office with the retiring staff; Swallow your Mickey Finn and run for the nearest door. In other words, we're not going to do anything we said above.

FARM FESTIVAL — Proudly referred to by its sons as the "Farm"—a name that is very, very descriptive—a large Bay region college celebrated its fiftieth birthday last Sunday, bringing to light (1) that Stanford is not a rich man's college, and (2) that "Stanford men have served in two wars and are ready for what comes" (courtesy S. F. News). Putting their heads together, two Stanford Standishes decided a little previous to the anniversary, that the best way to prove these points was a "sociological expedition" into the Howard street jungle in San Francisco. One thing led the other to dive after dive, with a momentary stop for a song and supper at the Salvation Army Shelter; there they were received somewhat coldly, either because they'd forgotten to leave their bowties off, or because their childish trebles were too gravelly.

Well, as you probably know, there was a meander in the Maria, in the old "ride to Paly" tradition, and a friendly fraternity reunion in the Southern station drunk tank, followed by a round or two of "questioning." And here the episode entitled "How to keep your nose ? ? ? ? ?" commenced. The trouble started, we hear, when one of the Farm boys arched a wicked left eye at the Law, who allegedly retaliated—in self-defense of course—with the entire national defense program including night stick, gas gun, brass knuckler, and assorted persuasions. Having demonstrated satisfactorily the length to which the average Farm neck can be extended, the pair of pious prowlers returned to their Sing-Sing Simmons and awaited the dawn.

All of which goes to prove that Stanford is a he-boy's college. More evidence of this is found in the news that an epidemic of measles has spotted the Redskin. Fifty more years and the Palo Alto academy should begin to adolesce!

The college is a coy maid—
She has a habit quaint
Of making eyes at millionaires
And winking at the taint.

(No allusions to present company intended.)

CALIFORNIA CADS—On the heels of a eulogy on the Bear rooting section by Nibs Price, California's varsity quintet coach, comes the startling news that UCLA considered itself insulted when a characteristic display of unsportsmanlike conduct bursts from the stands. An apology sent from Cal's student prexy to the head man in Los Angeles fixes the blame on a rowdy minority. That's probably true, though judging from past performances, that minority can give a very expert imitation of the entire California student body. Maybe a man like Arkansas' holstered sheriff-referee, who wears his six-gun onto the floor, could find a novel remedy for the situation. On second thought, it's not such a good idea after all. He'd probably need a regiment of infantrymen armed with Garands to augment his arsenal, before the "minority" could be coerced into respectability.

Well, as the football coach said as he picked up a bruised and broken piece of humanity: "This looks like the end."—(Santa Claran).